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## **COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT SPECIAL TRUSTEE ANNOUNCES NEW PROCEDURES FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Compton Community College District (CCCD) Special Trustee Thomas Henry announced today new procedures designed to adhere to the requirements of AB 318, the legislation signed into law in June 2006. AB 318 provides certain findings and declarations relative to the former Compton College's accreditation being revoked by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges.

Special Trustee Henry, in consultation with the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, has determined that the elected board members of the Compton Community College District continue to have no legal authority to preside over District public board meetings, including participating in closed session meetings. As such, trustees will not be seated at the dais during public meetings, nor will they participate in closed session meetings of the District.

As outlined in AB 318, the authority of the CCCD board of trustees is suspended and assumed by the state chancellor and delegated to the special trustee, rendering the board without any authority to formally participate in the governance of the District.

Special Trustee Henry reiterated the Compton District's focus on supporting the educational mission to provide academic excellence and support student success through the partnership with El Camino College; achieving fiscal stability for the Compton District; and readying the District for its responsibilities relative to eligibility for accreditation in the future.

"An important goal of the special trustee is to assist with creating a strong and effective organization that fulfills its educational mission, and provides an excellent education to students," Henry said. "I will also work to move the process in a direction that will bring an elected board back to the dais and restore its full authority, consistent with the requirements outlined in AB 318."

AB 318 also requires that a community advisory committee be established by the special trustee. Special Trustee Henry will begin the process to establish a community advisory committee immediately.

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